



PATENT
Docket No. MLI-10

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Michael D. Ries, et al.

Serial No.: 10/763,314

Filed: January 22, 2004

For: FEMORAL HIP PROSTHESIS AND METHOD OF
IMPLANTATION

Examiner: Snow, Bruce

Group Art
Unit: 3738

RESPONSE TO ELECTION / RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

**Assistant Commissioner
For Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Election/Restriction Requirement initially mailed on May 10, 2005. Due to Postal Service errors, the Election/Restriction Requirement was not delivered to Applicants. The Election/Restriction Requirement was re-mailed on November 9, 2005, thereby restarting the time period for response. Accordingly, a two-month extension of time for the present response is requested. Payment in the amount of \$225 for the extension is enclosed. If there are any deficiencies or overpayments in the amount submitted herewith, the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge or credit them to Deposit Account No. 50-3352.